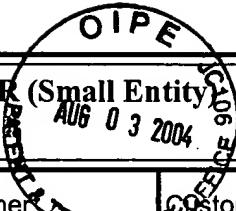


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Applicant(s): Loren R. Schuh, et al

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Invention: KNIFE AND APPARATUS FOR CLAMPING A KNIFE

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- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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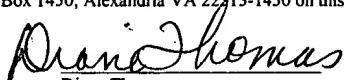
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Greetings:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 1, 2004, applicant elects, without traverse, the claims identified by the examiner as Group III, i.e., claims 44 - 57. The remaining claims are cancelled without prejudice and new claims 61 - 72 are added as follows.